



12 December 1963

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller**

1. The award of the Distinguished Intelligence Medal to John Richardson is approved by me and the Director. In this connection, the Director stated that unless there were overriding objections to be presented to him, he would like some publicity on this award within the CIA, overseas and especially in Saigon, and also through the press. In this connection, it seems to me that the citation is certainly sanitary enough to be unclassified and used for public release.

2. Please take this up with DD/P and Paul Chretien, and if there are any cogent reasons why publicity should not be given to this matter, arrange a meeting with the Director and me for final decision.

**SIGNED**

**Marshall S. Carter**  
**Lieutenant General, USA**  
**Deputy Director**

**Distribution:**

**Original - Addressee**

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**Handwritten note:**

"Please hold action on this until DCI returns from Saigon -- we'll recheck with him then as to publicity."

**MSC**